

Abstract

A system and method for pre-allocating resources for use by registering consumers of applications and/or services available *via* a protocol that identifies a user 5 through items including, but not limited to, a cookie and/or a persistent connection (e.g., the Internet) is provided. The system includes one or more components for pre-allocating resources for use by consumers registering to use applications and/or services available over the Internet. Since consumers can be served by more than one application and/or service server, and since resources can be managed by more than one resource manager, 10 information concerning a consumer may be replicated to the more than one resource manager. The system thus includes one or more components for processing requests from consumers that require access to resources so that requests from newly registered consumers can be processed by a resource manager that has information concerning the newly registered consumers.